#### **AGENDA**

## EBRP Mosquito and Rodent Control

# Regular Board of Commissioner's Meeting

10550 Veterans Memorial Blvd (Metro Airport) Baton Rouge, LA 70807

July 17, 2019 12:30pm

- I. Call Meeting to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Minutes from the April 8, 2019 meeting.
- IV. New Business
  - A. Attorney Melancon contract
  - B. Status of Tire Shredder

#### V. New Business

- A. Interim Director Appointment
- B. Sheriff's Department and old building
- C. Audit
- D. Disease Surveillance
- E. Budget 2020
- VI. Adjournment



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- I. Meeting was called to order by Dr. Littlefield, Chairperson at 12:32 pm
- II. Gwendolyn Hamilton, Board Secretary, called the roll. Members in attendance were:

Dr. Martha Littlefield

Dr. Foil

Mr. Harold Kirby

Ms. Katie Westbrook

Mr. Roderick Wells

Mr. Randy Vaeth

Ms. Courtney Humphrey

Ms. Gwendolyn Hamilton

# **Special Guest:**

Mr. Glen Wilkinson-MARC

Mr. Michael Morganti-MARC

Mr. Micah Bourgeois-Sheriff Department

Mr. Randy Lorio-Sheriff Department

# III. Approval of Minutes from the April 8, 2019 Meeting

Motion made by Rod Wells and Second by Harold Kirby, All in favor.

## IV. <u>New Business</u>

**A.** Attorney Melancon contract

**Dr. Littlefield:** Discuss the legal documents



1. Voluntary Motion to Dismiss Suit #680,664)

2. Exparte Motion and Order to withdraw as Counsel of record

**Courtney:** Mr. Melancon filed a motion to withdraw and granted by the court.

The Parish Attorney filed a voluntary dismiss on behalf of the MARC's board, and Dr. Littlefield signed off, and filed. This matter is dismiss by the board.

#### **B.** Status of Tire Shredder

**Dr. Littlefield:** Had a meeting with Mr. Watson and Kyle Moppert we laid out a plan for the shredder. I was not able to reach Kyle Hustler.

**Randy:** Center for Disease was at the meeting, where Dr. Littlefield purpose a compromised and MARC will conduct per and post source reductions surveillance at the site where there is more than 15 more tires. DPW handle will all other operations.

#### V. Old Business

A. Interim Director Appointment-

**Randy:** Discuss the Director should be appointed by the board, and presented to the Metro Council.

**Dr. Littlefield:** They (Dr. Foil, Dr. Littlefield and Randy V.) did meet to ratify the Director Job Specification along with salary adjustment.

**Randy:** The next session for SOVE (Society for Vector Ecology) will Sept 22-26, 2019 in Puerto Rico –and AMCA (American Mosquito Control Association) will meet March 16-20, 2020- Portland Oregon.

**Dr. Littlefield:** Discuss who should attend for conference for the Director's Search.

**Gwendolyn:** Asked the questions should Randy be Interim Director now and receive step-up pay?

**Dr. Littlefield:** Put the discussion on the table.

**Dr.Foil:** Motion to make Randy the Interim Director, pay perfectly for the position and Harold Kirby Second, All in favor. Motion passed

**Courtney:** Advised to split the motions the two items.



**Rod Wells:** Amend Dr. Foil motion to take the pay level out, H. Kirby second it. All in favor. Motion Passed.

**Dr. Littlefield:** Nomination and voted for Randy to be Interim Director all in favorite, 100% it official. Randy Vaeth is Interim Director, pending Metro Council approval.

**Dr. Foil:** Pay level for Randy appointment.

**Gwendolyn:** Discuss it may be certain percentage for the Director's pay, will have to confirm with H.R, and how will retirement be affected.

**Dr. Littlefield:** Presented the motion for conceived salary to Randy's appointed **Dr. Foil:** Moved the motion, H Kirby second the motion, all in favor. Motion Passed

#### B. EBRP Sheriff's Department and old building

Randy V: We have Micah Bourgeois and Randy Lorio.

**Micah and Randy L:** Discuss the Sheriff purposal to take over the MARC #1 old building, sub-leasing from MARC's Department. This agreement is for a training center for Sheriff Department. 10 year lease with some options of 5 years lease.

**Randy V:** MARC will keep the G- Building, F-Building, C- Building, D- Building and E- Building, whole back north part.

**Randy V:** Engineering Testing at MARC #1 Report was discuss and the results. **Dr. Foil:** Made the motion to accept the Sheriff 's Department proposal of taking over MARC#1 administrative building, H Kirby second the motion, All in favor Motion Passed.

## C. Audit

**Randy:** MARC did get an audit Postal Netter Fred Smith conducted the project. MARC was site for two items, voluation of Engerring Board to approval a program management that exsit \$50,000 and inventory control (Bait Boxes and Automtive Parts). MARC did respond in writing with a solutions for the voluations, will start immediately.



#### E. Disease Surveillance

Randy: provide a report EBR Parish has not had a positive pool this year so far or West Nile cases.

#### **F. Budget 2020**

**Randy:** MARC provide a draft for the upcoming 2020 Budget submission, to inform the BOC to see what happening with the budget.

Glen: Discuss why it's necessary to contine to retain the lease at the state hangar.

**Randy:** Discuss the new natural gas general grant from the State of Office Homeland Security.

**Dr. Littlefield:** Two other things to add as new items, the search for a new director search and replacement of board members

**Courntey H.:** Advised to take a vote on the two new items being added.

**Dr. Littlefield**: Annouced she will be stepping down, and has several recommendations for her replacment. Dr. Foil term will be ended also.

**Dr. Foil:** Motion to add the two items to the agenda, New Director's nation! search, and new board members. Second by Harold K, All in favor. Motion passed.

**ADDED ITEMS** 

## G. New Director Nation Search and Replacement of Board Members

**Dr. Littlefiel**d: The upcoming conferences are the Solve Conference in Puerto Rico attendances for September 2019, notices, and interviewing candidates. The need to form a sub-committee in search of a new Director. One of (3) board members will need to attend along with MARC representatives in March 16-20, 2020 Portland Oregon and SOVE Puerto Rico September 2019.

Publicize the Director's description starting in July 2019, and attend the Puerto Meeting and Portland Oregon. Katie will get back with a confirmation of her attendance, and Randy confirmed his attendance.

**Dr. Foil:** Confirmed the job description special certification; required master degree and preferred PHD.



# V. Adjournment

Dr. Littlefield moved to adjourn the meeting with a Harold K. motion and Dr. Foil second. All was in favor.